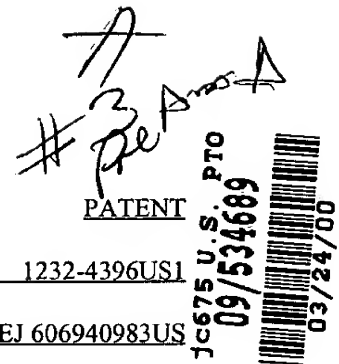


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UTILITY APPLICATION AND APPLICATION FEE TRANSMITTAL (1.53(b))

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Named Inventor(s) and
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SHIGEO SUZUKI

For:

TRANSMITTING METHOD, RECEIVING METHOD, TRANSMITTING APPARATUS,

RECEIVING APPARATUS, TRANSMITTING SYSTEM AND MEDIUM

Enclosed are:

[X] 22 page(s) of specification, 1 page(s) of Abstract, 6 page(s) of claims

[] 4 sheets of drawing [X] formal [] informal

[X] 5 page(s) of Declaration and Power of Attorney

[] Unsigned

[] Newly Executed

[X] Copy from prior application

[] Deletion of inventors including Signed Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)(2)

[X] Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application (Serial No. 08/978,072 filed November 25, 1997), from which a copy of the combined declaration and power of attorney is supplied herein, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is incorporated herein by reference.

[] Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

[] _____ page(s) of Sequence Listing

[] computer readable disk containing Sequence Listing

[] Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f) that computer and paper copies of the Sequence Listing are the same

- ☐ Claim for Priority
- ☐ Certified copy of Priority Document(s)
- ☐ English translation documents
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☒ Copy of 7 cited references
- ☐ Copy of PTO-1449 filed in parent application serial No. _____
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Return receipt postcard (MPEP 503)
- ☒ Assignment Papers (assignment cover sheet and assignment documents)
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$40.00 for recording the Assignment.
- ☒ Assignment papers filed in parent application Serial No. 08/978,072.
- ☐ Certification of chain of title pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b).
- ☒ This is a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part (C-I-P) of prior application Serial No. 08/978,072.
- ☐ Cancel in this application original claims _____ of the parent application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
- ☒ A preliminary Amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this Amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.
- ☒ The status of the parent application is as follows:
- ☐ A Petition For Extension of Time and a Fee therefor has been or is being filed in the parent application to extend the term for action in the parent application until _____
- ☐ A copy of the Petition for Extension of Time in the co-pending parent application is attached.
- ☒ No Petition For Extension of Time and Fee therefor are necessary in the co-pending parent application.
- ☐ Please abandon the parent application at a time while the parent application is pending or at a time when the petition for extension of time in that application is granted and while this application is pending has been granted a filing date, so as to make this application co-pending.
- ☐ Transfer the drawing(s) from the patent application to this application.
- ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
 This is a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part of co-pending application Serial No. 08/978,072 filed November 25, 1997.

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I. CALCULATION OF APPLICATION FEE (For Other Than A Small Entity)

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	Number Filed		Number Extra	Rate	\$690.00
Total Claims	15	-20=	0	x\$18.00	\$
Independent Claims	5	-3=	2	x\$78.00	\$156.00
Multiple Dependent Claims					
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- ☐ A statement claiming small entity status is attached or has been filed in the above-identified parent application and its benefit under 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(a) is hereby claimed. Reduced fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9(F) (50% of total) paid herewith \$ _____.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$846.00 in payment of the application filing fees is attached.
- ☐ Charge Fee(s) to Deposit Account No. 13-4500. Order No. _____. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.
- ☒ The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for filing this application, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 1232-4396US1. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.

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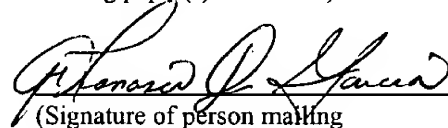
I hereby certify that the following attached paper(s) or fee:

1. Utility Application And Application Fee Transmittal (1.53(b)) with copy of same and check for \$846.00;
2. Specification (22 pages), Claims (6 pages, claims 1-19) and Abstract (1 page);
3. Four (4) sheets of formal drawings;
4. Copy of executed Combined Declaration And Power Of Attorney For Original, Design, National Stage Of PCT, Supplemental, Divisional, Continuation Or Continuation-In-Part Application from prior application;
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6. Information Disclosure Statement with copy of same;
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